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IT IS A RARE COLLEGE WOMAN who doesn't hope to travel abroad, visiting England, France and other European countries. Maybe you are one of

those who would like to study abroad as well. At present the goal may seem a little out of reach. Yet with early planning and careful preparation, attaining the goal need not be impossible.

Begin fulfilling these general qualifications which are stated in many of the government funds: first, United States citizenship; a bachelor's degree or its equivalent; a record of some graduate study, either completed or partially completed; and a satisfactory knowledge of the country and the language of the country where you wish to go. Good health, moral character and an intellectual ability are stressed with special emphasis on your serving as a good representative of the United States.

Often, transportation to and from the country will be paid by the United States. The receiving country will pay your tuition costs plus a month's allowance, but you will find it necessary to supplement this for extra living expenses.

The United States government has established a Division of International Educational Relations which provides fellowships for graduate students under the Convention for the Promotion of Inter-American Cultural Relations. Inter-American refers to 16 participating countries of Central and South America.

The Fulbright Act provides U.S. grants for graduate study, research and teaching in Australia, Austria, Belgium, Luxemburg, Burma, China, Egypt, France, Greece, India, Iran, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan, Philippines, Turkey and the United Kingdom.


British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden announced last year that the British, in appreciation for recovery aid, have established 12 competitive Marshall Scholarships for American students wishing to study in British universities. The program is named for George C. Marshall, founder of the Marshall Plan.

Another agreement, signed last year with the Swedish government, provides an equivalent of \$110,000 in Swedish currency to finance exchanges for study purposes. A commission made up of four citizens of each country will administer the program.

A scholarship offered by a foreign country or university, not in conjunction with the government exchanges, is generally for study of the sociological, linguistic and governmental areas of that particular art and culture. It may range from \$1,000 to \$2,300 for one year with the possibility of a second year renewal.

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